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Medicaid in Missouri: Back to Basics

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Missouri Medicaid Basics 2020

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About Us

Mission

To eliminate underlying causes of health inequities, transform systems, and enable individuals and communities to thrive.



Equity



Integrity

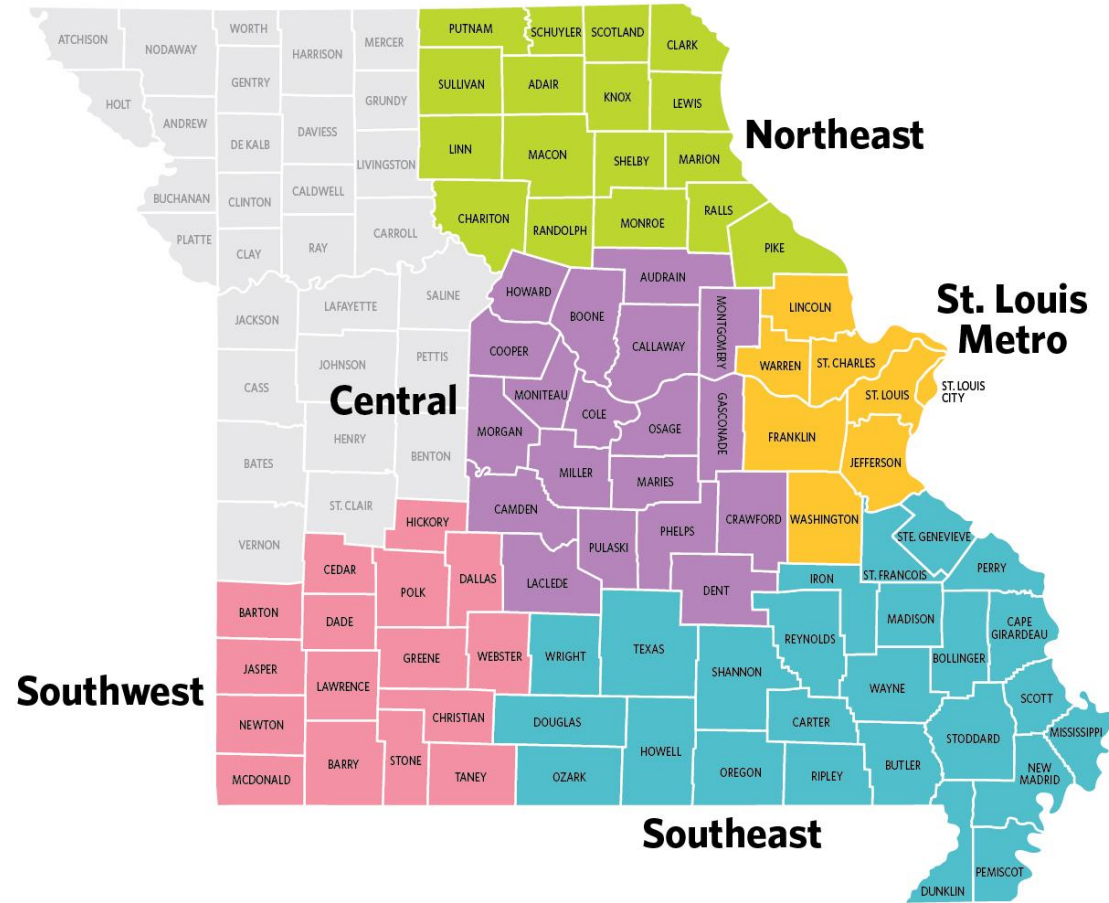


Humility



Commitment

Where We Work



The Foundation serves 84 counties and the City of St. Louis.

Missouri Medicaid Basics SFY 2020

What is MO HealthNet?

- Missouri's Medicaid program (MO HealthNet) provides health insurance for low-income children and parents, seniors, pregnant women, and people with disabilities. It allows Missourians to see a doctor when they are sick, get checkups, buy medications, and go to the hospital.

Having health insurance allows Missourians to maintain their health, go to work, and take care of their families.

Fast Facts

Covers



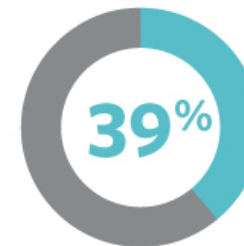
1 out of every **7**
Missourians

Covers



of Missouri's
children

Pays for



of all births
in the state

Covers



1 out of every **13**
older adults

Pays for



of all nursing home
care in the state

Provides access to
medical treatment for



Missourians

MO HealthNet Is Run by Multiple Departments

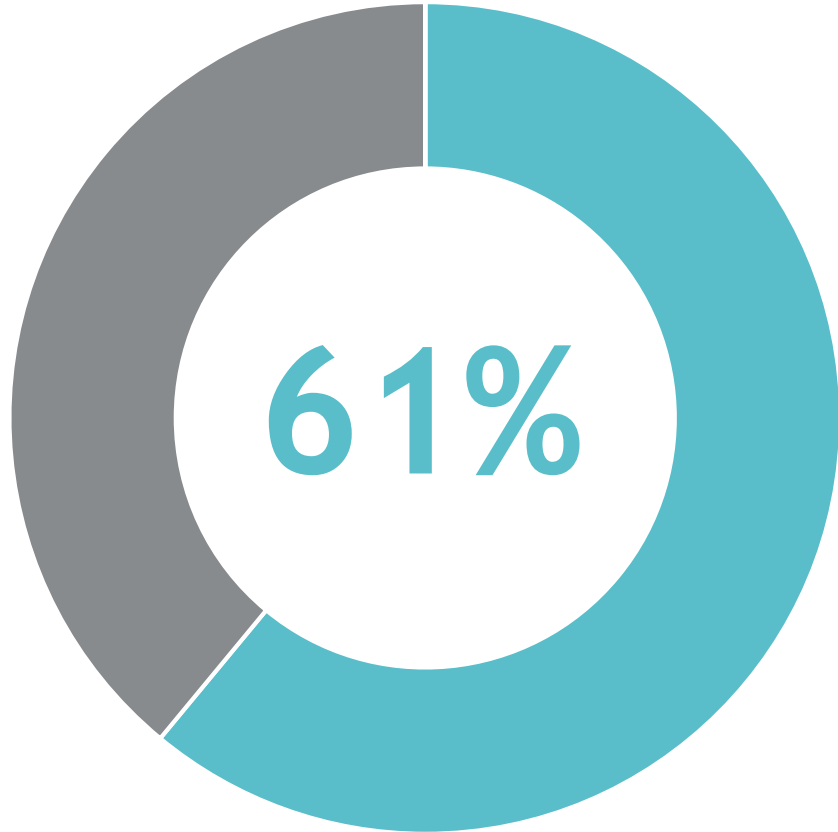
- **Department of Social Services**
 - MO HealthNet Division
 - Family Support Division
- **Department of Mental Health**
- **Department of Health and Senior Services**
- **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education**

Who is Enrolled in MO HealthNet?

- Eligible groups include parents, children, pregnant women, seniors, and persons who are blind or disabled





Most MO HealthNet Enrollees Are Kids



of enrollees
are under
the age of 19

Families and Children Use Fewer Resources

 families and children

 seniors and disabled

percent of enrollees



percent of spending



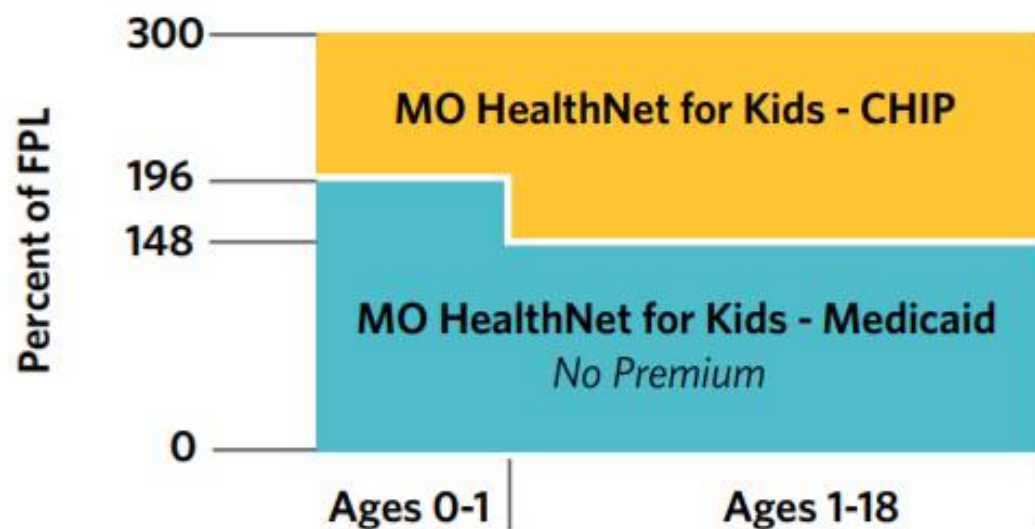
Missouri Currently Has Very Strict Eligibility Requirements

MO HealthNet Income Eligibility	
Covered Populations	Income Guidelines*
Children (up to age 19)	<300% FPL
Parents	~21% FPL*
Pregnant Women	<196% FPL***
Individuals with a Disability	<85% FPL**
Older Adults (age 65+)	<85% FPL**
Blind Individuals	<100% FPL**

2020 Federal Poverty Level				
Family Size	Annual Income			
	85% FPL	100% FPL	196% FPL	300% FPL
1	\$10,846	\$12,760	\$25,010	\$38,280
2	\$14,654	\$17,240	\$33,790	\$51,720
3	\$18,462	\$21,720	\$42,571	\$65,160
4	\$22,270	\$26,200	\$51,352	\$78,600

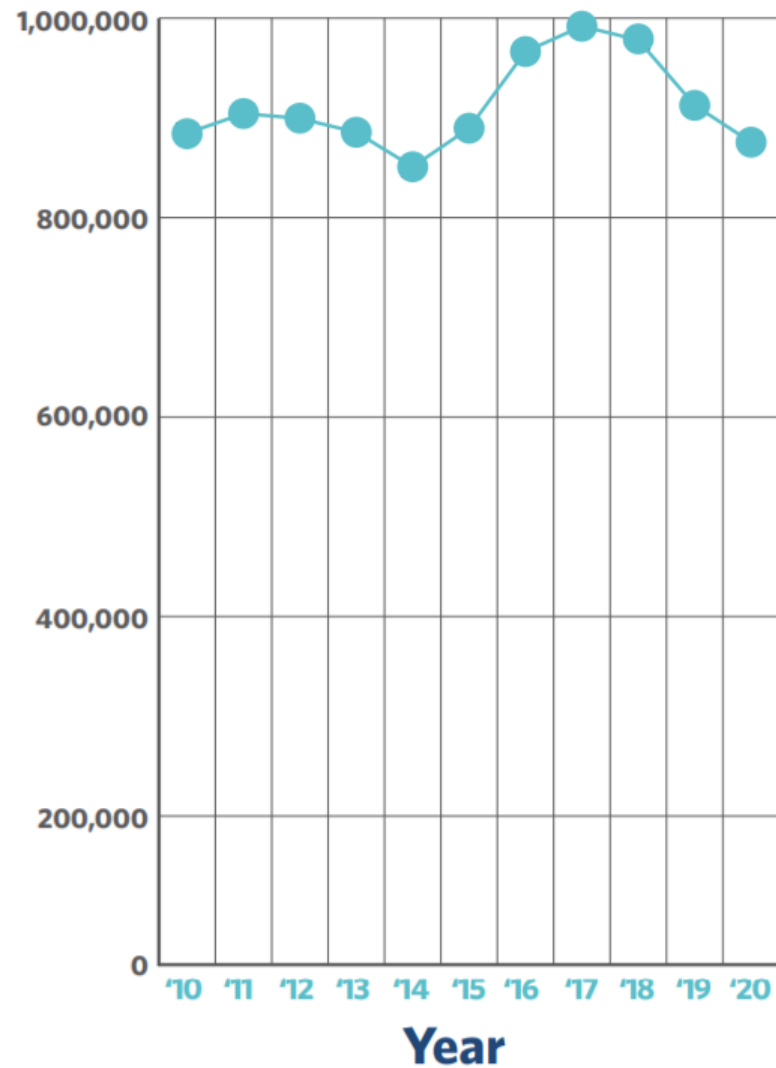
AFDC Payment Standard for Parent Eligibility (~21% FPL)				
	Family Size			
	2	3	4	5
Annual Income	\$3,754	\$4,698	\$5,546	\$6,334

Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)



% FPL	Premium
226 - 300%	\$117 - 324
186 - 225%	\$48 - 132
151 - 185%	\$15 - 40

MO HealthNet Enrollment has Varied Over the Years



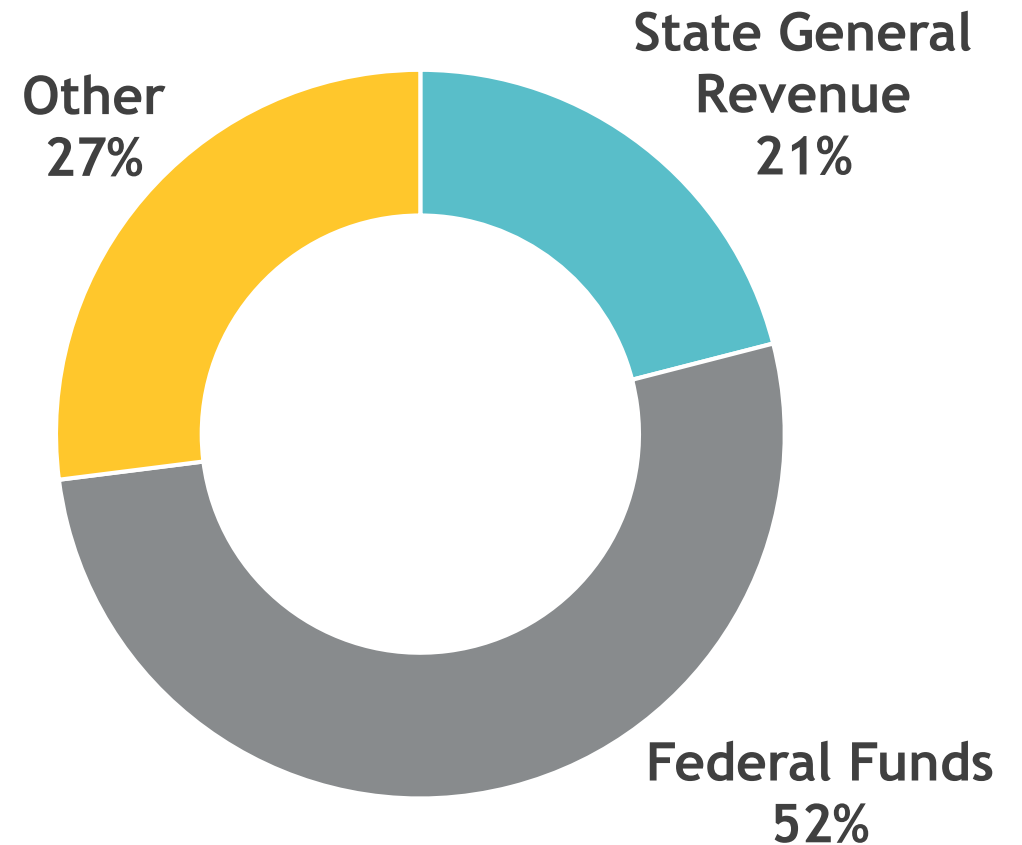
- 2010: 878,361

- 2017: 991,362

- 2020: 868,845

How is MO HealthNet Financed?

- The majority of MO HealthNet is funded through the federal government
- Less than $\frac{1}{4}$ of funding comes from state general revenue



MO HealthNet Covers a Range of Services

- Inpatient hospital services
- Outpatient services
- Physician services
- Family planning services and supplies
- Nursing facility services and home care
- Skilled home health services
- Lab and X-ray services
- Nurse-midwife services
- Home health services
- Non-emergency medical transportation
- Screening and treatment services to children under age 21

MO HealthNet Delivers Multiple Types of Care

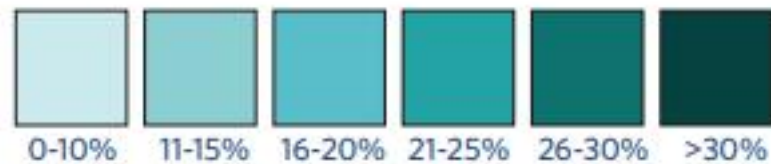
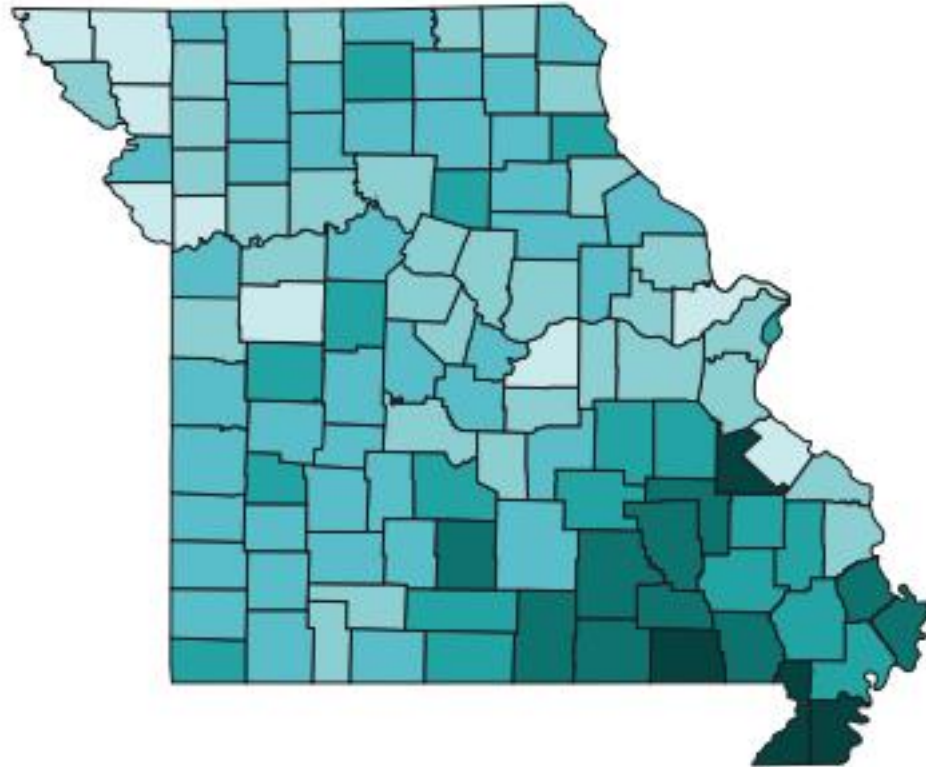
- **Primary and Acute Health Care**
 - Fee for Service
 - MO HealthNet Managed Care
- **Long-Term Services and Supports**
 - Facility-Based Care
 - Community-Based Care

Waivers Allow for Tailored Programming

- **Section 1115 Waivers**
 - Gateway to Better Health
 - Postpartum depression and substance use disorder
- **Section 1135 Emergency Waivers**

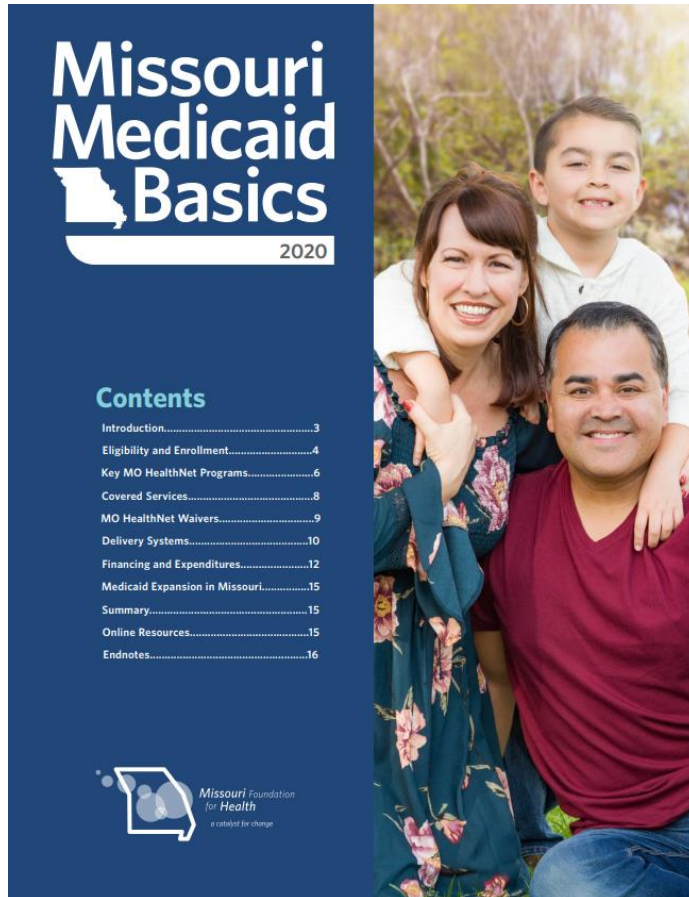


Missourians From Across the State Are Enrolled

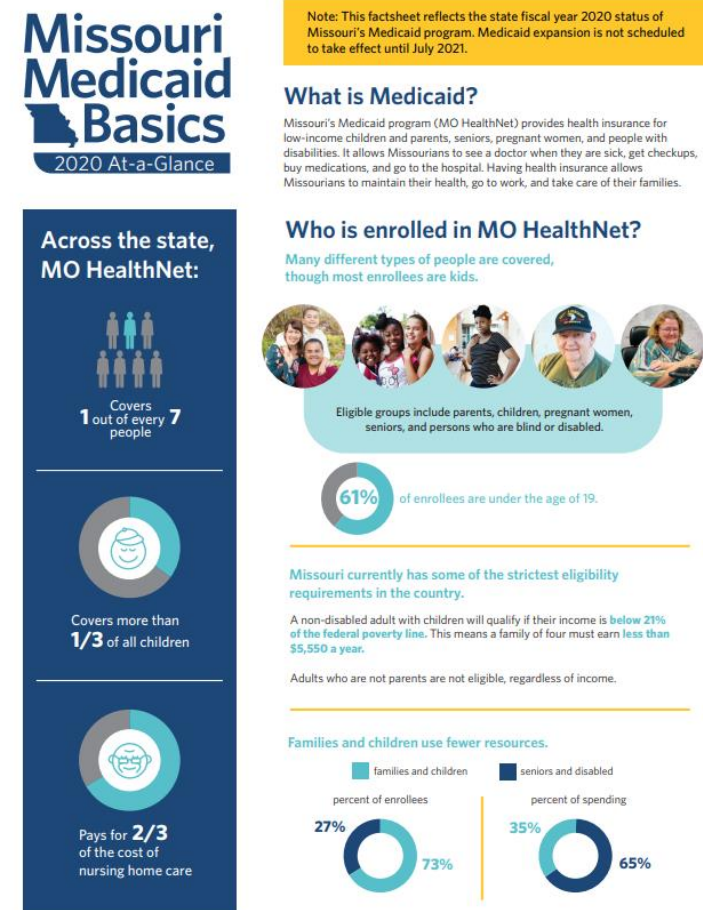


- Nearly 14% of all Missourians were enrolled in MO HealthNet in SFY 2020

Missouri Medicaid Basics 2020 Resources



Full Publication



At-a-Glance Factsheet



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Missouri Medicaid in 2020: COVID-19 and Medicaid Expansion

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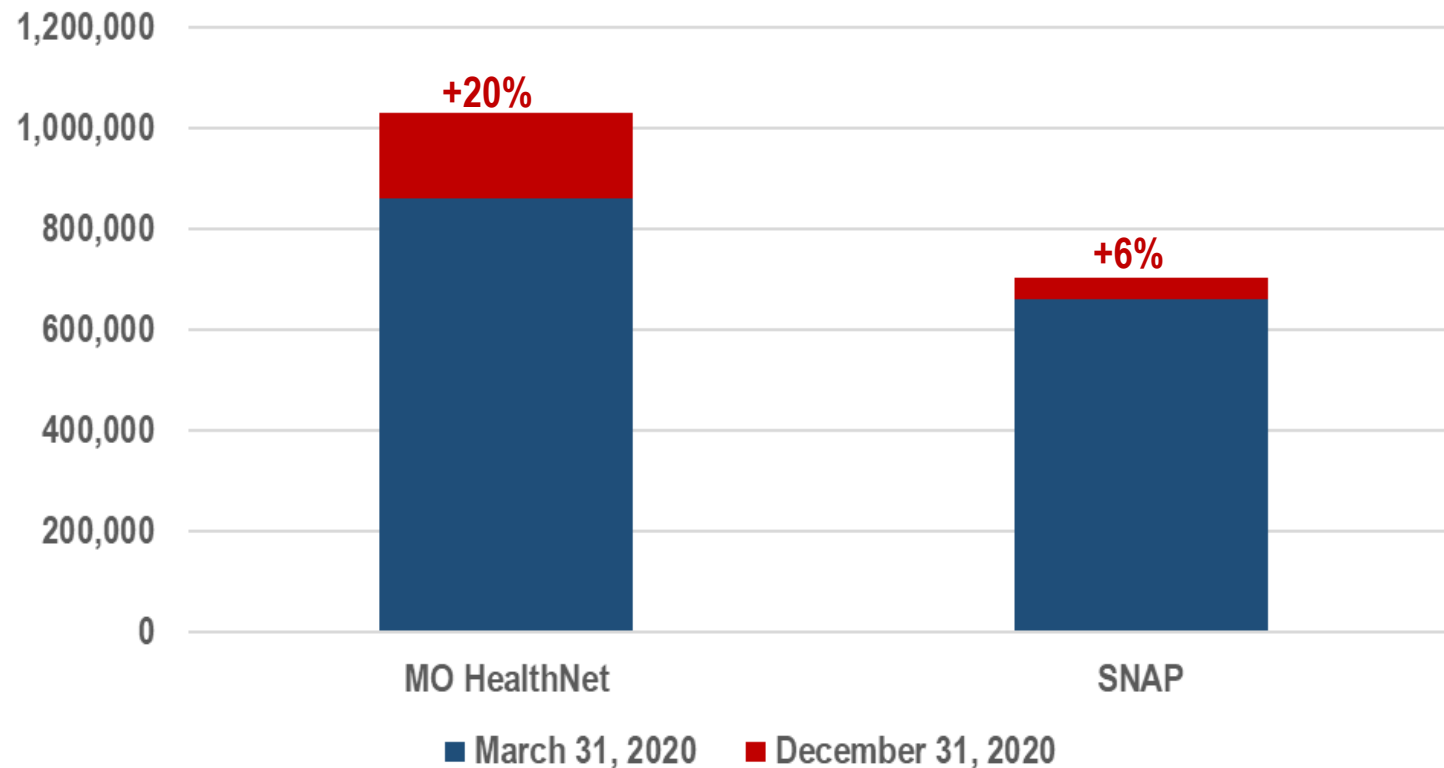
President and CEO, Missouri Budget Project

COVID IMPACT



Missourians Need the Safety Net More Than Ever

Increased Enrollment in Safety Net Services Under COVID



Missourians Continue to Suffer Hardship

of Missouri adults:



1 in 9 live in a household where there was not enough to eat in the past week



More than 6% aren't confident they can pay their next housing bill, or have already fallen behind



Of those who aren't current on their housing bills, **1 in 3** report that eviction or foreclosure is likely in the next 2 months



29% report it's been somewhat or very difficult to pay their usual expenses during the pandemic

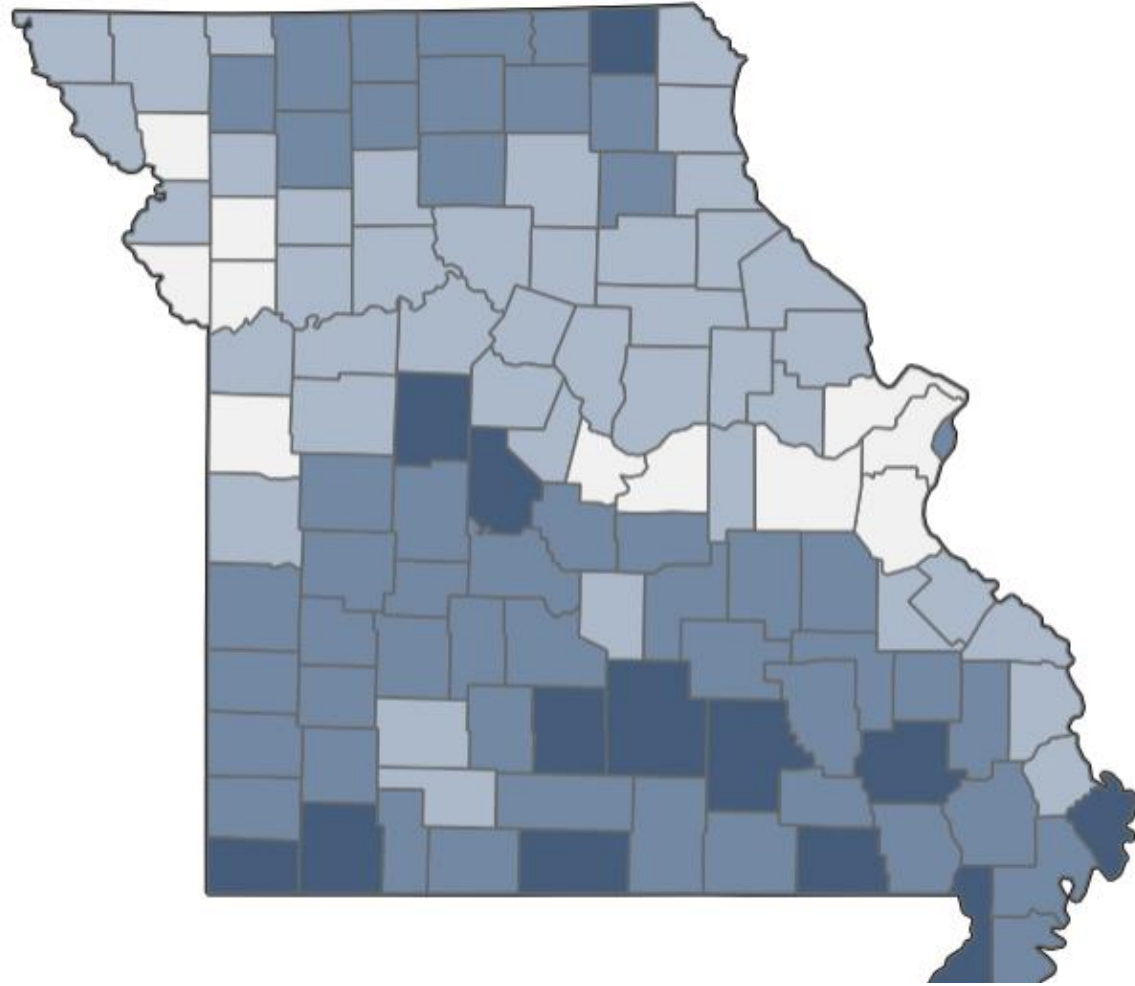
Source: U.S. Census Bureau Household Pulse Survey, as of October 26th



STEPS TO PROTECT AND INCREASE ACCESS TO MEDICAID

- **Enhanced FMAP = \$1.03 Billion (January 2020 - June 2021)**
- **MOE Requirements**
- **Increased eligibility for those with COVID**
- **Suspended Medicaid Terminations and Reverifications**
- **Implemented 12-Months Continuous Coverage for Kids**

MEDICAID EXPANSION IMPACT



Share of Missourians Benefiting from Expansion

1.9%



10.8%

230,000 Missourians statewide

- 50,000 PARENTS
- 18,000 NEAR RETIREES
- 34,000 ESSENTIAL WORKERS

While 24% of Missourians live in rural areas, 33% of those covered by expansion live in rural Missouri.

175,960 rural voters Supported Amendment 2

OTHER STATES HAVE ALREADY SEEN SAVINGS, OFFSETS, & NEW REVENUE FROM EXPANSION



“States considering Expansion now should take advantage of data from early expanders in the region to support more accurate projections on take-up, costs, etc., and to refute myths about Expansion taking funds away from education and other state priorities.”

- Health Management Associates, 2020



EXPANSION NEXT STEPS



- **DSS must apply for State Plan Amendment by March 1, 2021**
- **Lawmakers must include funding in the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget**



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Missouri Medicaid: Keeping Kids and Parents Covered







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Keeping Kids and Parents Covered

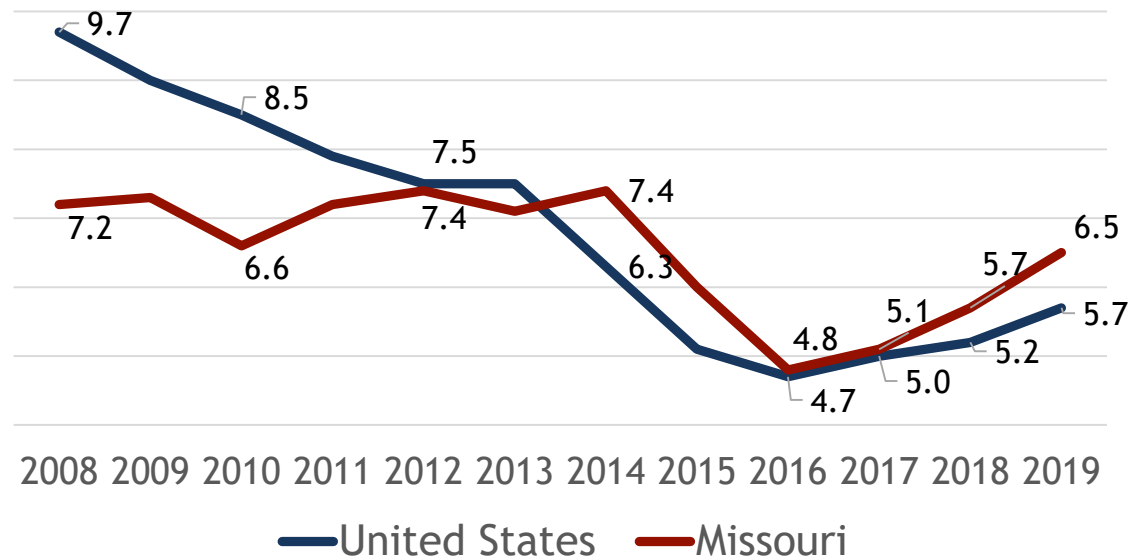
- Medicaid is a primary source of health care for children in low-income communities, communities of color, and children in the foster and adoption system

Medicaid helps children grow up to reach their full potential.
Children enrolled in Medicaid:

					
Miss fewer school days due to illness or injury	Do better in school	Are more likely to graduate high school and attend college	Grow up to be healthier as adults	Earn higher wages	Pay more in taxes

The Medicaid Enrollment Decline

- Between 2016-2018, Missouri lost over 100,000 children from the Medicaid rolls.
- In 2016, we had reached historic lows in terms of children being uninsured. Since 2016, this number has started trending in the wrong direction (currently almost 95,000 children without insurance – as of Fall 2019).



Where We Are Now

- **With COVID policies in place and the state currently suspending terminations, we have over 630,000 children currently on Medicaid.**
- **Likely that this will correct with the end of the Public Health Emergency – currently set for April 2021 (at least).**
- **We have to prepare for the impact of transition now to prevent a dramatic churn and ensure kids and families stay covered.**

How Do We Reduce Churn?

- **Keep policies like 12-month continuous eligibility**
- **Reduced administrative burdens on families (and the state!)**
 - **Invest in technology**
 - **Implement no-touch renewals**
 - **Streamline eligibility and enrollment processes**
 - **Improve other internal processes**
 - **Develop appropriate notices and communications with families**
- **Increase and refine outreach to families**

Get Involved with Us!

- **Missouri Health Partnership calls – Thursdays at 3 PM**
 - **Email Amy to join – ablouin@mobudget.org**
- **Kids Win Missouri legislative calls – Fridays at 10 AM**
 - **Email Casey to join – chanson@kidswinmissouri.org**
- **Complete this short survey if you're interested in engaging in other ways:**

<https://bit.ly/FinishLinePartner>



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